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Figure 1 consists of 12 sub-graphs labeled (a) through (l), each showing the growth of *E. coli* O157:H7 in ground beef under different conditions. The y-axis for all graphs is \log_{10} CFU/g, ranging from 0 to 12. The x-axis is time in hours, ranging from 0 to 120. The graphs show various growth curves, including control, heat treatment, and different chemical treatments.

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